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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 21, 2005.
Accordingly, a response is due on or before November 21, 2005. The Office Action has indicated that the present application includes claims to the following patentably distinct groups of claimed inventions:

Group I Claims 1-4 and 7-53; and
Group II Claims 5 and 6.

The Office Action requires that Applicants elect a group for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, Applicants elect, without prejudice, Group II (claims 5 and 6) in the above-captioned application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees relevant to this filing to Kenyon & Kenyon's **Deposit Acct. No: 11-0600**. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 202.220.4258 to discuss any matter in this application.

Respectfully submitted,
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